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SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR PROVIDING A DISTRIBUTED

FILE SYSTEM UTILIZING METADATA TO TRACK

INFORMATION ABOUT DATA STORED THROUGHOUT THE

SYSTEM

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed February 15, 2007, please enter the amendments that appear on the following pages.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.

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